

CLAIMS

What is claimed is:

- 5 1. A system for annotating audible messages that are received by a subscriber of a unified communications service network, the system comprising:
- 10 a message presentation form that enables the subscriber to access audible messages, the message presentation form further comprising:
- an audible message player that enables playback of an audible message; and
- a private notes field that enables the subscriber to annotate the audible message during playback of the audible message.
- 15 2. The system of claim 1 further comprising:
- a search tool that enables search and retrieval of audible messages based, at least in part, upon annotations in the private notes field.
- 20 3. The system of claim 1 further comprising:
- a message forwarder that enables forwarding of audible messages to other recipients and wherein annotations in the private notes field are forwarded at the option of the subscriber.

4. The system of claim 1 further comprising:

a message forwarder that enables forwarding of audible messages to other recipients and wherein annotations in the private notes field are not forwarded.

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5. The system of claim 1 wherein the message presentation form further comprises:

a subject field that enables input of a subject heading for the audible message.

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6. The system of claim 5 further comprising:

a message forwarder that enables forwarding of audible messages to other recipients and wherein the subject heading is forwarded.

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7. A method for annotating audible messages that are received by a subscriber of a unified communications service network, the method comprising:

presenting a subscriber with a message presentation form that enables the subscriber to access audible messages, the message presentation form further comprising:

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an audible message player that enables playback of an audible message; and

a private notes field that enables the subscriber to annotate the audible message during playback of the audible message;

enabling the subscriber to annotate the audible message using the private
notes field.

8. The method of claim 7 further comprising:

5 providing a search tool that enables search and retrieval of audible
messages based, at least in part, upon annotations in the private
notes field.

9. The method of claim 7 further comprising:

10 providing a message forwarder that enables forwarding of audible
messages to other recipients and wherein annotations in the private
notes field are forwarded at the option of the subscriber.

10. The method of claim 7 further comprising:

15 providing a message forwarder that enables forwarding of audible
messages to other recipients and wherein annotations in the private
notes field are not forwarded.

11. The method of claim 7 wherein the message presentation form further comprises:

20 a subject field that enables input of a subject heading for the audible
message and the method further comprises:

providing a message forwarder that enables forwarding of audible
messages to other recipients and wherein the subject
heading is forwarded.

- 5 12. A system for annotating audible messages that are received by a subscriber of a
unified communications service network, the system comprising:

message presentation form means for enabling the subscriber to access
audible messages, the message presentation form means further
comprising:

- 10 audible message player means for enabling playback of an audible
message; and
private notes field means for enabling the subscriber to annotate
the audible message during playback of the audible
message.

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13. The system of claim 12 further comprising:

search tool means for enabling search and retrieval of audible messages
based, at least in part, upon annotations in the private notes field
means.

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14. The system of claim 12 further comprising:

message forwarder means for enabling forwarding of audible messages to
other recipients and wherein annotations in the private notes field
means are forwarded at the option of the subscriber.

5 15. The system of claim 12 further comprising:

message forwarder means for enabling forwarding of audible messages to
other recipients and wherein annotations in the private notes field
means are not forwarded.

10 16. The system of claim 12 wherein the message presentation form means further
comprises:

subject field means for enabling input of a subject heading for the audible
message.

15 17. The system of claim 16 further comprising:

message forwarder means for enabling forwarding of audible messages to
other recipients and wherein the subject heading is forwarded.

18. A processor readable medium having process readable code embodied therein for
20 causing a processor to annotate audible messages that are received by a subscriber
of a unified communications service network, the processor readable medium
comprising:

processor readable code for presenting a message presentation form that
enables the subscriber to access audible messages, the message
presentation form further comprising:

an audible message player that enables playback of an audible
message; and

a private notes field that enables the subscriber to annotate the
audible message during playback of the audible message;
and

processor readable code for enabling the subscriber to annotate the audible
message using the private notes field.

19. The processor readable medium of claim 18 further comprising:

processor readable code that enables a processor to provide a search tool
that enables search and retrieval of audible messages based, at
least in part, upon annotations in the private notes field.

20. The processor readable medium of claim 18 further comprising:

processor readable code that enables a processor to provide a message
forwarder that enables forwarding of audible messages to other
recipients and wherein annotations in the private notes field are
forwarded at the option of the subscriber.

21. The processor readable medium of claim 18 further comprising:

processor readable code that enables a processor to provide a message forwarder that enables forwarding of audible messages to other recipients and wherein annotations in the private notes field are not forwarded.

22. The processor readable medium of claim 18 wherein the processor readable code for presenting a message presentation form further comprises:

processor readable code for presenting a subject field that enables input of a subject heading for the audible message.

23. The processor readable medium of claim 22 further comprising:

processor readable code for presenting a message forwarder that enables forwarding of audible messages to other recipients and wherein the subject heading is forwarded.

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